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## GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES

<sup>18</sup> Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth." <sup>19</sup> Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." **Matthew 28:18-20 NLT**

**Journey Church exists to reach people who are disconnected from God and lead them to become fully devoted followers of Christ.**

### What does it mean to be a disciple?

- To be a **follower** Matthew 4:19-20
- To be a **student** Matthew 11:29-30
- To **imitate** 1 Corinthians 11:1

### Characteristics of a true disciple:

Luke 9:23-24

Galatians 2:20

- **Denial** of "self"
- **Fully committed**
- **Daily** lifestyle
- Willing to **lose** your life

Acts 2:42-47

- Devotion to **the teachings of the word, prayer, and community.**

Mark 4:13-20

John 15:8

- **Proof** of discipleship
- **Fruitfulness** for the glory of God.

Matthew 25:14-30

- Jesus **expects** us to be profitable servants.

### Why we need discipleship.

1. It is a **command**, not an option.

a. Matthew 28:19

2. **Produces growth and maturity.**

a. Ephesians 4:11-13

3. **Deepens our understanding.**

a. 2 Timothy 3:14-17

4. **Strengthens our relationship with God.** a. Jeremiah 29:13

5. **Builds the Kingdom of God.**

a. Acts 4:4

b. 1 Corinthians 14:12

6. **Builds confidence.**

a. Colossians 3:16

b. 1 Thessalonians 5:14

7. **The world needs the message of reconciliation.** a. Matthew 9:36-38

b. 2 Corinthians 5:18-20

c. Romans 10:13-17

## Next Steps: Be Mentored



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